

REMARKS

Claims 1-25 are pending, with claims 15-25 withdrawn from consideration. Claims 1, 3, 5-14 are currently amended. No new matter has been added.

Applicant notes with appreciation the Examiner's acknowledgement of Applicant's claim for foreign priority under 35 USC 119(a)-(d), and that the certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

Claims 1-14 are rejected under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. Specifically, the Examiner asserted that the specification did not reasonably provide enablement for the controller charges the battery cell or power supply.

With this paper claim 1 has been amended to recite "a controller for selecting the at least one battery cell according to a residual voltage of each battery cell and a control signal of a terminal, and controlling the switch controller to perform either charging of the at least one battery cell or supplying power from the at least one battery cell via the first and second switches." Furthermore, page 9 of the specification recites that "each battery cell is charged by being connected to a charge terminal 10c of the interface unit 10 through the charge switch, and supplies a current to an external terminal by being connected to a supply terminal 10d of the interface unit 10 through the supply switch. Therefore, one battery cell includes one charge switch and one power supply switch."

Applicant submits that one skilled in the art could make the invention commensurate in scope with the claims since the amendments have more distinctly recited the means for charging the battery cell or supplying power from the battery cell via the first or second switch. It is respectfully submitted that the grounds for the rejection of claims 1-14 have been overcome and it is respectfully requested that the Examiner withdraw the rejection.

CONCLUSION

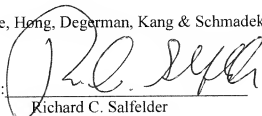
In light of the above remarks, Applicant submits that the present Amendment places all claims of the present application in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the application is requested.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles, California, telephone number (213) 623-2221 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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